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HERE AND YONDER.

Sam Pryor, alias Theo. Corrigan, is in jail again. Sam was here Friday and asked the janitor to let him in jail. It was the severest day of the year and he wanted shelter. In the evening he went over to New Hamburg, but could find no one to take him in. Walking north he entered the two-story residence of Mrs. Chas. Grojean, went up stairs and went to bed without registering. The next morning Adam Dirnberger, the marshal, took Sam in tow, and Deputy Constable W. A. Miller brought him to Benton, where he was given ten days in the place he wanted to go. Sam has been in various jails and penitentiaries. He is one of those society outcasts and prison has no terrors for him. There are thousands like him and the ranks swelling every day. What does present society propose as a remedy?

The trial of Ed. Marshall, a Tennessee night rider, resulted in a hung jury. Marshall is of a very wealthy family and wealthy himself, and the newspapers did not clamor for his life as they did for the lives of the poor devils. Because of his wealth and influence his final acquittal is very probable.

Mrs. Amanda Humphrey, wife of Edward Humphrey, deceased, former residents of Benton, died at her home near Advance, in Stoddard county last week aged 55 years. She was buried at Morley Thursday—Rev. Watson officiating. She was a sister to W. A. Harrison, of Sandy woods, and leaves three sons.

Roy Hinkle, the 16-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hinkle, is serving a 25 days' sentence for carrying a pistol to school. It seems that Roy has been guilty of several breaches of the law and is determined to make of himself a "bold, bad man."

Henry Blumenberg, formerly of Commerce township but now of New York, is in the county visiting and was in Benton Monday. He came here with the remains of his aunt, who was formerly Lizzie Wiedman, buried at Commerce last week.

T. W. Darter, formerly of Richwoods, writes from Oklahoma: "I and lots of undesirable citizens here and a pretty good looking country and fine people. There is a better chance here for 'undesirables' to stay on the earth and I think I will find a place to stay."

Strayed.—From my lot near Benton, a red and white spotted heifer, weight about 900 pounds, do not know mark if it has any. Horns about 8 or 10 inches long. Peter Diebold, Benton, Mo. (13-2r.)

John W. and Otto Heeb, of Chaffee, were here Wednesday. John W. is president of the county union and says there were but six locals represented at New Hamburg. Hence the adjournment to Benton.

Let the farmers who attend the meeting of the county union here next week remember that they are welcome at the Kicker office. Plenty of "long green" tobacco.

After a month of wrangling the Missouri legislature has declared (unhappily, the republicans, to have been elected lieutenant-governor over Painter, Democrat.

Chas. Miller and wife spent last week in St. Louis at the bedside of Jesse Miller, who is suffering from a paralytic stroke. Jesse is slowly improving.

Uncle Mose Wetmore, vice-president of the tobacco trusts, has been chosen by the Democrats as National committeeman from Missouri.

Uncle Tom Hawkins, of near Commerce, was here Wednesday with a hundred or more pounds of fine honey that he sold to the citizens.

Mrs. Henry L. Yeakey died Wednesday. She was buried at Benton cemetery Thursday. She leaves a son and daughter—Fred and Maria.

Marriage license: Theon C. Grojean and Miss Ida Menz, New Hamburg; Andrew J. Hangher and Miss Lillie A. Beavers, Crowder.

Dr. George Williams, the dentist who has been here the past two weeks, is now at Commerce, where he will remain ten days.

FROM ROCKVIEW.

While Edward Carroll and two of his brothers were out hunting Thursday a very serious accident occurred. Edward went to set his gun on a log when it slipped from his grasp and fell off of the log. The jar discharged the gun—the lead entering his arm between the elbow and the wrist. It is feared that amputation will be necessary.

Chas. Carlton has moved in one T. G. Belk's house and J. D. Belk will move to the Cape.

Leo Seyer has built a new barn for himself, and Nick Menz has his dwelling about finished.

Surveyors were in town last week. Prospects of another streak of rust. John Engle is blacksmithing in Chaffee.

NOTICE OF FINAL SETTLEMENT.
Notice is hereby given that the undersigned administrator of the estate of Martin F. Scherer, deceased, will make final settlement of his accounts with all estate as such administrator at the next term of the Probate Court of Scott county, Mo., to be held at Benton, in said county, on the fourth Monday in February, 1909.

HEAD US, SOMEBODY!

There is nothing discouraging about the way the Kicker subscriptions are coming in. During January, 1908, there were 164 subscriptions received. It appeared as if we were going to exceed that this January, but the cold weather of the last three days of the month froze everybody up and we fell one short—163.

However, everybody seemed to get thawed out by Monday morning and February starts off well. During February 1908 there were 108 subscriptions received. Let's beat that during this February. Already 25 have been received for this month—leaving only a balance of 83 to equal last February. Here are the names of those who have paid since last report—January 23:

Morley.—Jeff Henderson, W. T. Wilson, John York, Silas Butler, M. G. Bryant, W. E. Watson, Mrs. S. Probase, R. G. Carly.

Commerce.—A. B. Fullenwider, M. V. Sanders, Rich Sanders, Henry Uelsmann, Leonard Weber, Thos. Hawkins, Jos. Strack.

Benton.—James Morrow, Mrs. Mary Gangle, S. Darnell, R. N. Rife, J. H. Huff, John McWilliams.

Oran.—J. L. Stehr, J. E. Davison, Peter Jesse Hess, Frank Endler, J. G. Drury, Wm. Howell.

New Hamburg.—Frank Dirnberger, Ludanus Schmitt, Lawrence Strack, John Uhlman.

Kelso.—Chas. Ressel, George Walters, Anton Glueck, A. G. Schlotter.

Blodgett.—L. G. Crafton, J. K. P. Channing, Eldon Tisdell.

Charleston.—E. L. Brown, Thos. Christman, Frank Finley.

McMullin.—Jake Bailey, George Clifford.

Crowder.—W. A. Darby, Sikeston.—F. L. Taylor.

Illmo.—John T. Boss.

L. C. Gangle, Randles, J. W. Arbaugh, Matthews, T. J. Ladd, Taff, M. D. Thacker, Clarkson, Chas. Chaney, Senath, L. F. Diebold, Pierce City.

Anna McKinn, Cairo, Ill.; Wm. Kiddy, Burlington, Tex.; H. C. Miller, Fitzgerald, Ga.; J. H. Specht, Nordoff, Calif.; H. L. Blumenberg, New York City, N. Y.

WE NEED THE WOMEN

J. W. Adams, county chairman of the Socialist party, writes from Blodgett that Miss Hollowell had a crowded house at Pleasant Valley and concludes: "We need more of our mothers, wives and daughters in this fight."

And it seems to me that the mothers, wives and daughters ought to see it. The Socialists are the only people who stand for the full emancipation of women—both industrially and politically. Yet how few are active in their own behalf. The women are the backbone of every "reform" movement. Yet let them ask the male members of these movements and see how quick the answer will come. "A woman's place is in the kitchen."

COUNTY COURT PROCEEDINGS

County court met Monday with Judges Thomas and Myers present—Bugg absent.

Drainage license were granted to J. W. Marshall, Sikeston, and John G. Scherer, of New Hamburg. Drain ditch No. 7 petitioned by B. F. Marshall et al., continued until next term. Same order in drain ditch No. 6 petitioned by J. N. Fry et al.

Road petitioned by Herman Musbach et al., continued to May. Same order in road petitioned by J. T. Huey, et al.

Mrs. Francis Payne, of Edna adjudged insane, ordered to Farmington hospital. \$65 allowed for admission fee and Arch. C. Payne appointed to convey her.

Official bonds of Arthur Christman, collector, and Jas. D. Rogers, assessor, approved.

Allowances for road and bridge work and material: John T. Boss, \$81.72; John B. Goshe, \$83.61; A. C. Miller, \$124.10; Brookfield Bridge Co., \$1.187; A. B. Williams, \$66.87; Sullenger & Lambert, lumber, \$15.34; T. E. Channing, \$40.94; Jeff. Slinkard, \$33; W. B. Smith, \$238.52; Joe Utzage, \$180.22; Jas. Hinkle, \$104.50; R. M. Finley, \$10.26; John Steel, \$83.62; W. A. Lee, \$30.50.

Other allowances: C. J. Mozley, county attorney, \$141.66; J. E. Warner, highway engineer, \$37.5; R. A. Kingsbury, freight, \$10.78; Springfield Paper Co., \$19.50; L. J. Dannenmueller, blanks, \$3.05; H. L. Fields, acting constable, \$1.50; Dr. Tate, medicine to poor, \$46; John Spaulding, Sup. poor farm, \$218.80.

Lenard Weber allowed \$25 for care of Martin Spoonhauer, insane.

Dr. Cannon allowed \$56.44 inquest C. R. Harden.

Dr. Tate allowed \$0.36; inquest Thos. L. Blay.

B. Hugh Smith, school commissioner allowed \$261.65.

Road petitioned by J. R. Joyce et al., commissioners to report at May term. Same order in road petitioned by Ulrich Klaus, et al.

Frank Merritt allowed \$46.06 for supplies furnished J. N. Marlin and family.

N. O. Ellis allowed \$48.45 for care, coffin etc., of Frank Brooks.

Oran special road district allowed \$500.19 and Sikeston special district allowed \$2,226.78.

\$100 appropriated to gravel a portion of Benton and Charleston hill.

Also Ry. allowed \$5.16 freight.

FROM BLODGETT.

Samuel Shoemaker, an up-to-date farmer, who resided on a farm two and a half miles west of Blodgett, died Saturday, Jan. 30, and was buried at Charleston. He died from pneumonia.

A fierce blizzard swooped down upon us Thursday, almost with the strength of a tornado. The iron roof of the John E. Marshall warehouse was partially blown off.

Miss Eva Love, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Murchison, for the past two months, has returned to her home in Kentucky.

Miss Mae Jones, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. J. Jones, has returned to her home at Alto Pass, Ill.

The medicine vaudeville show at the opera house last week was very good and was largely attended.

Mrs. Lutes, of Lutesville, was the guest of Professor and Mrs. Lutes recently.

Miss Pell, of Commerce, visited Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pell, last week.

Mr. Morris, of Farmington, visited his son, J. Morris, recently.

Mrs. Dallas Abshier, of Diehlstadt, visited here Sunday.

Grandma Powell, of Illmo, is visiting here.

A. J. Williams has been quite sick.

FROM REDMAN.

William Henry, of New Weston, Ohio, while on his way to Texas, stopped over with his mother, Mrs. L. A. Henry, a few days.

Elmer Henry and brother, Will, spent Sunday in the hills at the home of Tom Swofford.

Mr. Owens, who has been quite sick at the home of Johnson Lambert, is improving.

Jim Smith and family attended the funeral of his aunt at Morley Thursday.

Mr. Mattney has moved on the farm vacated by Mr. Samples.

Mr. Ditterline was at Cape Girardeau last week.

FROM BLEDA.

The "wild hog hunters" are wearing a long face. They were told that the hogs were marked. Dig up, ye hunters!

Our school has ordered a book case and more library books.

Lucy Halter who recently sprained her ankle is improving.

Ora Prindle and Pauline Bechel visited school Monday.

FROM CLAYPOOL.

Mrs. Florence Peterson, of St. Louis, visited her brother, W. C. Marshall, last week.

There will be church at the Claypool Schoolhouse Sunday Feb. 7 at 2 o'clock.

Miss Florence Russell is visiting at East Prairie.

Claude Russell is very sick with pneumonia.

FROM OWENSBY.

After having had a sale Albert Vandike and George Venable with their families have left for Malden, where they expect to run a restaurant. S. O. Finley has bought Mr. Venable's farm.

Misses Leona Echols and Nettie Marshall, of Commerce, visited Miss Iva Channing last week.

Mrs. Nancy Keese, of near Benton, visited Chas. Keese this week.

Mrs. Fred Abbott is visiting relatives in Illmo and Edna.

Born last week to Mr. and Mrs. McNabb, a girl.

The attendance at school is again good.

FROM HICKORY GROVE.

Some of our people seem to think the Socialists want to divide up the property and ruin the country.

The cold weather does not affect the attendance at our school as it is very good.

Mrs. W. W. Miller and daughter, Lora, are visiting relatives at Independence.

Thomas Reams returned last week from a trip to Texas and Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Williams, their infant child and Ray are sick.

Ed. Rogers, of Oran, is visiting his cousin, Tom Rogers.

Z. C. Davis is suffering severely from a cancer.

John Biggs moved to Vanduser last week.

FROM SCHERERVILLE.

Charles Heisserer came out from Kelso Tuesday to get some of our farmers to take stock in the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Kelso.

Louise Feldon, who has been staying with John Scherer returned to her home near Kelso Tuesday.

The chopping frolic at Dan Georger's froze out Saturday. There were only two choppers.

Barney Hearing bought a young cow from Tom Adams, of Benton, Monday.

Owing to the rough roads most of our people walked to church Sunday.

Frank Kern gave a dance at Albert Blattel Thursday.

A Baudendistel's sawmill is shut down for repairs.

For Sale.—A good-as-new No. 8 cook stove. Cost \$12. Ask \$7.50 Kicker, Benton.

FROM COMMERCE.

During the low water in the Mississippi River ten days ago there was dry land at least a half a mile out from the main shore. In high water this is not only covered by water but in 1903 the river ran out over the fields below town. It would have been worth seeing to those who live off the river to have seen it at its lowest point.

Friday and Saturday we had the roughest weather the older people claim they ever saw in this country. The thermometer registered 3 above and the wind registered—well it was too fierce to be out in.

Miss Iva Channing, who has been visiting friends here, has returned to her home near Blodgett. She was accompanied home by Misses Leona Echols, Nancy Walker and Nettie Marshall.

Miss Grace Blackledge returned Monday from St. Louis, where she graduated at the Central High School. Her brother, Chas., who attended the graduating exercises, returned with her.

W. Y. Prince and A. B. Fullenwider spent Thursday and Friday in Shannon county—looking at the country.

There was a temperance lecture at the church Thursday night by the Flying Dutchman of Indiana.

Mrs. W. H. Hutton is at Edna waiting upon her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Dr. Hutton, who is ill.

John Davis and wife of Kentucky are visiting Mr. Davis' sister, Mrs. James Boyd.

Dave Cooper and wife, of Blythesville, Ark., are visiting Mr. Cooper's sister, Mrs. Boyd.

There will be a gold medal contest here Feb. 12 for the benefit of the school library.

Henry Blumberg, of New York City, N. Y., who left here in 1904, is visiting here.

B. F. Anderson, wife and daughter-in-law, Mrs. W. G. Anderson, are sick.

Mrs. Will Ellis has returned from a few weeks' visit to Kentucky.

W. G. Anderson returned from Arkansas Sunday.

FROM MACEDONIA.

The cold spell since Friday has put the people of this community to getting wood. And cross cut saws are quite frequently seen.

Geo. W. Miller was seen going to Illmo. But for some reason he was seen packing his saddle back home.

Henry Koch killed a red fox Friday. Since he became grandpa he has been hiding out most of the time.

Misses Laura and Emma Robertson left Sunday for a week's visit with Laura Smith at Diehlstadt.

Preaching at Macedonia Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock by Rev. Denton, of Commerce.

Elmer Henry, of near Cross Plains, visited at Tom Swofford's Sunday.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Miller on the 26th, a boy.

Cooper Spradlin, of Rockview, was here Sunday.

Bill Uelsmann lost a cow last week.

FROM NEW HAMBURG.

A tramp was arrested and taken to Benton jail last week for entering Mrs. Chas. Grojean's home.

Friday was a very bad night to be out and it seems that the tramp tried to get indoors at several different places but was unsuccessful until he came to Mrs. Grojean's where he entered and went to bed.

Solomon Diebold was visited by night riders Monday night. They came in a drove, brought their own music and took possession of the place. Among the leaders he recognized Sol. and Ed. Hahn, Victor Bollinger, Harry Cannon and Henry Laub.

Joe Bauckish, Geo. Kern, John Hamm and John Schmitt were dynamiting stumps last week and the racket they made resembled the Boer War at the World's Fair at St. Louis.

Miss Louisa Felter, of Kelso, is staying with the family of John Scherer, of Schererville. But there is some one in the swamps who needs a housekeeper worse than Scherer.

Henry Grojean, John Blattel and Leo Goshe, the committee of the home insurance society, appraised the damage by storm to the barn of Lawrence Bucher, Sr., at \$25.

Hy. Grojean was at Kelso Saturday to receive assessments of the Home Insurance for E. F. Bryeans house that burned on Dec. 28th.

There is a disease among the dogs here that kills them right along. But the beauty of it is that it don't kill very many good ones.

Miss Regina Dirnberger left Wednesday for a two weeks' visit to her aunt, Mrs. Wm. V. Miller, at Chaffee.

John Kern has rented the Peter Petz swamp farm and will move on it next month.

Mrs. John P. Westrich is thinking of moving to Edna.

Ludanus Schmitt was at Benton Tuesday.

The Farmers' Union is going to stay And there'll be something doing—some day.

Let the farmers do their best. And sure—the Kicker will do the rest. To this paper we should tip our hats. And to the court house organ—oh, rats!

FROM ORAN.

Miss Bertha Bertrud, of Benton, visited the Misses Anna and Loretta Miller Sunday and all spent the afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Pfefferkorn. Miss Anna accompanied Miss Bertha home.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Engle, who were called to the bedside of their son, Ed., at the hospital at St. Louis last week, returned Tuesday.

Mr. Engle reported his son in a very critical condition.

The dredge boat has shut down because of there not being sufficient water in the ditch to run it.

Leo Schott has just finished a new house on his farm north of town.

E. F. Bryeans is rebuilding his house which burned some time ago.

Frank Finley, of Charleston, spent Sunday with home folks.

Mrs. Bob Wright, of Chaffee, was in town Monday.

Mrs. Mollie Friend left for St. Louis Monday.

Lawyer DeReign, of Benton, was here Saturday.

FROM MORLEY.

Someone is accused of saying that the recent blizzard was not very cold and that the thermometer did not register more than 20 degrees below zero.

The W. C. T. U. held a meeting at Mrs. B. P. Earles' Tuesday night. Refreshments were served and all thoroughly enjoyed themselves.

C. P. Howle and daughter, Miss Lucy, and Miss Cozy, daughter of Black Howle, of Barlow, Ky., are visiting relatives in Morley.

Miss Jessie Hughes, who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. Howle, returned to her home at Abilene, Tex. last week.

John Turlington, who has been "deviling" at the Citizen office, is at the Big Mill.

Henry Emerson, who has had a long siege of sickness, is able to be up again.

Wm. Black has the material to build a new house on his farm near town.

Mrs. Annie Bowman, of Illmo, visited Mrs. Mollie Atherton Sunday.

Homer Dyer and Black Atherton killed six ducks at two shots Friday.

A show at the City Hall seems to be getting its share of patronage.

Frank Emerson attended county court at Benton Monday.

Mrs. Allie Evans is sick with appendicitis.

The boys had a fine time skating Sunday.

Oliver Randol went to Oran Sunday.

FROM MULLIN'S ISLAND.

Frank Hughes, of Commerce, visited David Mize this week. He visited a young lady friend in our community Saturday evening and the lady of the house gently reminded him to "not stay after ten."

David Mize has begun farming. He is afraid he will not be able to cultivate a large crop in the summer hence he is doing all the work he can now.

An extension was made to R. F. D. No. 2 from Morley which includes our vicinity and is a great convenience for us. It went into effect Feb. 1.

J. W. Sullenger bought a fine team of mules from P. G. Abbott last week.

Mrs. Jessie Dahbs and Miss Effie Mize visited on Bugg Ridge Sunday.

FROM VANDUSER.

Revs. Blackman and Patterson are holding a meeting at the Baptist Church and have a crowded house every evening. There were four conversions Tuesday evening and three additions to the church.

Bro. Blackman is a very practical and forcible reasoner. The meeting will not last much longer.

Mrs. Ploss, of Royal Center, Ind., sister of Mrs. James Small, and who has been visiting here for the past two weeks, returned to her home Tuesday.

Leslie Mayes has been confined to his bed for some time from an abscess in his side. He has suffered intense pain but is improving.

J. S. Wallace returned last week from a fortnight's visit at Florence, Ala. and Memphis, Tenn.

Mrs. Dona Myers, of Morehouse, attended the meeting here Sunday.

FROM SALSSED.

Ross Henson and Tommie Baker got a full Sunday of last week while trying to ride a train.

Miss Lillie Newton has been getting along fine with her school.

Sam Haynes has been quite sick for the last six weeks.

Claude Henson is going to Kentucky, where he has been visiting relatives.

Rich Canover is building a new house.

Dave Allen has moved to Morehouse.

FROM OAK GROVE.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Huey on the 29th, a girl.

Revs. Smith and Jones are holding a revival here.

The hard winds did considerable damage to wheat in this vicinity.

N. G. Hopper is building a new barn.

THE NEXT NUMBER

Of the Lyceum Course:
Miss Emily Waterman's
Concert Company,
At the Court House,
Friday Evening, Feb. 19.

AUCTION!

Southeast Missouri Breeding Co.'s Dispension Sale.

We will sell, at our barns, at
SIKESTON, SCOTT COUNTY, MO.,